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The Senate met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the President protempore [Mr. Thurmond].

#### PRAYER

The Chaplain, Dr. Lloyd John Ogilvie, made the following announcement and offered prayer:

The Senate of the United States is a family. We care for each other, rejoice with each other, and suffer with each other. This morning, I announce to you that the former Chaplain, Dr. Richard Halverson, died last night. No person in recent history has done more to enable the Senate to be a family of caring people who support and encourage each other than Dr. Halverson.

Let us pray: Blessed living Holy God, Sovereign of this Nation and this Senate, we thank You for the way that You enrich our lives by the gift of persons who care. We praise You for the life of Richard Halverson, for 14 years the Chaplain of this Senate. We praise You for his integrity rooted in his intimate relationship with You that radiated upon his face and was communicated by his countenance. We thank You for the profound way that he cared for all of us and established deep relationships. He introduced people to You and helped them to grow as persons.

We bless and praise You now, Lord, as You are here with comfort and encouragement for us. You are with his wife, Doris, his sons, Chris and Steve, and his daughter, Debbie. Put Your arms of love around them, giving them hope.

Lord, we thank You this morning for the assurance that this life is but a small part of the whole of eternity and that death is only a transition in the midst of living for a man like Richard Halverson.

And so we thank You for him and praise You for Your enrichment of our lives through him. Through Jesus Christ, our Lord, Who has defeated the

power of death and reigns forever. Amen.

#### RECOGNITION OF THE MAJORITY LEADER

The PRESIDENT pro tempore. The able majority leader, Senator DOLE, is recognized.  $\begin{tabular}{ll} \hline \end{tabular}$ 

#### TRIBUTE TO THE REVEREND DR. RICHARD HALVERSON

Mr. DOLE. Mr. President, as the Chaplain mentioned in his opening prayer, the Senate today is mourning the passing of Dr. Richard Halverson.

As all Senators know, Dr. Halverson served as our Chaplain from 1981 until his retirement earlier this year.

Throughout his service as Chaplain, Dr. Halverson was a friend and counselor not only to Senators, but to the entire Senate family.

As many of my colleagues said upon Dr. Halverson's retirement, from Senate staffers to elevator operators to police force members to electricians, it would be impossible to tell how many lives Dr. Halverson touched here on Capitol Hill.

He came to the Senate after many years of service to churches in Missouri, California, and Maryland. He was recognized worldwide as a great humanitarian and traveled extensively through his leadership of World Vision, the Campus Crusade for Christ, Christian College Consortium, and the prayer breakfast movement.

Mr. President, perhaps our colleague, Senator NUNN, said it best earlier this year when he called Dr. Halverson "our friend, our colleague, our mentor, our adviser and, most of all, our example."

Later today, Senator DASCHLE and I will be submitting a resolution of condolence to be delivered to the Halverson family. It is my intent to include all Members of the Senate as cosponsors of this resolution.

At this time, I ask unanimous consent that the RECORD stay open for 15 days so that Senators may offer tributes to Dr. Halverson, and that these tributes be printed as a Senate document.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. FRIST). Without objection, it is so ordered.

### RECOGNITION OF THE MINORITY LEADER

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Democratic leader is recognized.

#### CELEBRATING THE LIFE OF DR. RICHARD HALVERSON

Mr. DASCHLE. Mr. President, the majority leader has just spoken for all of us. There is not a person in the Senate today who has not had the good fortune to benefit from the friendship of Dr. Halverson.

Someone once said that life has no blessing like that of a good friend. Dr. Halverson was a good friend to all of us. Rather than mourn his death, it is appropriate to celebrate his life, because, indeed, it was a celebration of joy, of blessing. It was a recognition that through his religious belief, emanating every morning as he came to this Chamber, we all felt a little stronger, we all felt a little stronger, we all felt a little more able to work with each other. His contribution to his country and to this body will last for a long, long time.

So today we celebrate his life. We send our condolences to his wife, Doris, and his family. We wish them the best. We recognize that in life comes achievement, and with his achievement, we all are the better.

I yield the floor.

Mr. DOMENICI addressed the Chair. The PRESIDING OFFICER. The Senator from New Mexico.

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